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Dear Ms. Hesse:

Thank you for this opportunity to state my opinion regarding the government's proposed settlement of its case against Microsoft.

First of all, the government had no business interfering with the operation of Microsoft when it began its pursuit of them back during the Clinton administration. The federal government was wrongly attempting to control and regulate a new, growing, and very vital part of our nation's economy. The last thing the technology industry needed was bureaucrats and Justice Department lawyers hovering over them like vultures.

I have read the proposed settlement/stipulation, and I believe Microsoft is being more than reasonable to agree to this document. Setting up the governmental "technical committee" seems particularly onerous. However, in the interest of ending this whole misplaced attack, I urge you to approve this settlement.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

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